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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Applicant: Robert YS Huang, et al

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For: A Mask Layer and Interconnect
Structure for Dual Damascene
Fabrication of a Semiconductor
Device

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Petition Regarding Unavailability of Inventor

This Petition is submitted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47 to verify the unavailability of one of the inventors in the above referenced application, **Joshua Jia Li**. Attached is a Declaration of the Applicant pursuant MPEP § 409.03(d) and the fees as required by 37 CFR 1.17(h).

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition Regarding Unavailability of Inventor was furnished by first class mail to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Assignment Division, Box ASSIGNMENTS, CG-4, 1213 Jefferson Davis Hwy. Ste. 320, Washington, DC 20231 this 1st day of March, 2002.

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